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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

Please note that Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 11-187900 corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 6,476,215 B1 (Okamoto et al.) and U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0146715 A1 (Okamoto et al.); and Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 10-272000 corresponds to U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0183399 A1 (Webster et al.). Copies of Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open Nos. 11-187900 and 10-272000 are enclosed, along with a copy of the Michael Zuker publication.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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